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SUBJECT: SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION FSL TRAINING PROGRAM

1. SSA PLANS TO SPONSOR A TECHNICAL TRAINING AND PROGRAM ORIENTATION COURSE FOR SELECTED FSL'S WHO PERFORM FEDERAL BENEFITS WORK AT ADDRESSEE POSTS. THE SIX-WEEK PROGRAM WILL TAKE PLACE IN SSA DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, APRIL 5, 1976 THRU MAY 14, 1976.

2. SELECTED PARTICIPANTS SHOULD HAVE CURRENT EXPERIENCE WITH AND DEMONSTRATE INTEREST IN FEDERAL BENEFITS WORK. THEY SHOULD ALSO BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE IN THIS ACTIVITY
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FOR SEVERAL YEARS AFTER RETURNING TO POST. BASED ON

PREVIOUS CONTACTS WITH MESSRS. D'ANGELO, DUDAK AND MCPHERSON, SSA WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: MISS SUSANA BARA - GUADALAJARA; MISS ROSALIE CORVAJA - MILAN, MRS. MARTA JERONIMO - MADRID; MRS. PANI ELZBIETA PIOTROWSKA - WARSAW; MR. SAUL RODRIQUES - MONTERREY; MISS JACQUELINE SCHREIBER - PARIS.

3. ADDRESSEE POST ARE REQUESTED TO CONFIRM BY MARCH 8 WHETHER EMPLOYEES INDICATED IN PARA 2 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRAINING PROGRAM DURING DATES MENTIONED.

4. THE DEPARTMENT IS ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE A THREE DAY BRIEFING PERIOD DURING THE SIX-WEEK TRAINING SESSION WHICH WILL PERMIT THE FSL'S TO CONSULT WITH OFFICERS OF OTHER AGENCIES IN WASHINGTON.

5. ALL TRANSPORTATION, PER DIEM, NOT TO EXCEED THE 33 DAILY MAXIMUM RATE, AND RELATED TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE TRAINING PROGRAM IN BALTIMORE SHOULD BE CHARGED TO SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION APPROPRIATION SYMBOL 75687 04, ALLOTMENT 4005210.253P. POSTS SHOULD HOWEVER, HANDLE THE ISSUANCE OF TRAVEL ORDERS, TICKETS ADVANCES, AND FINAL VOUCHERING IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPT OF STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS.

6. LUMP-SUM TRAVEL ADVANCE COVERING FULL SIX WEEK SHOULD BE PAID TO TRAINEES BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM POST. IF ANY POST HAS A LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS A FSL IS PERMITTED TO RECEIVE AT ONE TIME DUE TO FOREIGN CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS, BALANCE OF TRAVEL ADVANCE SHOULD BE MAILED PRIOR TO TRAINEES' ARRIVAL IN U.S. TO FOLLOWING ADDRESS MR. COOPER BAREFIELD, TRAINING COORDINATOR, 1953 DEER-PARK ROAD, FINKSBURG, MARYLAND 21048. IT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR HEW OR DEPT TO ADVANCE FUNDS TO FSL'S WHILE IN THE UNITED STATES.

7. TRAVEL ON FLIGHT TICKETS BEARING ROUND-TRIP EXCURSION TIME LIMITATIONS SHOULD NOT BE USED.

8. ALL FSL'S PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAM MUST OBTAIN FULL UNCLASSIFIED

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MEDICAL AND HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE FOR PERIOD OF TRAINING. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, BUREAU OF EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, GROUP ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS PROGRAM UNDERWRITTEN BY SUPREME LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, WILL PROVIDE SHORT TERM COVERAGE FOR TRAINEES WHILE IN U.S. APPLICATION FORMS BEING FORWARDED TO SUBJECTS FOR THEIR COMPLETION PRIOR TO THEIR ARRIVAL IN BALTIMORE. KISSINGER

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